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1. TsUNKhU (Tsentralnaya Upravleniya Narodno-Khoziastvenovo Uchota - Central Administration of Accounting for the Domestic Economy) set the basic prices of various activities in the field of construction. TsUNKhU, which functioned under the Soviet Council of Ministers, operated on a level between GOSPLAN and industry. The basic prices were utilized in construction planning. The prices which [REDACTED] were in effect up to 1936. The basic prices varied for each period of a five-year plan, but in practise they changed only slightly.

2. The more important basic prices, which were calculated for finished work and included labor, were:

Activity	Dimension	Prices in Rubles
a) brick dwelling construction	cubic meter	80 - 120
b) earthworks for industrial buildings	cubic meter	8 - 12
c) foundations (price varied with amount of steel in the concrete and of reinforcement)	cubic meter	65 - 150
d) steel-concrete constructions (including framework, steel, wood, and concrete)	cubic meter	240 - 280
e) brick	cubic meter	60
f) wooden construction (including walls, floors, and ceilings, but not roofs)	cubic meter	85 - 100
g) roof construction	cubic meter	180
h) steel roof construction	metric ton	up to 250
i) steel-concrete sheets (3-5 cm thick)	cubic meter	up to 350
j) wooden windows and doors	square meter	25
k) metal windows and doors	metric ton	400
l) cobblestone road (mastavaya - sand - 35 cm thick; cobblestones - 25 cm)	square meter	65
m) asphalt road surfacing (5 cm thick)	square meter	8 - 12
n) single-track broadgauge railway line *	one kilometer	65,000

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3. In general, all construction was steel-concrete combined with brick. A useful formula to remember in this connection was that for each one million rubles of cost for this type of construction one million bricks were used.

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\*(including rails, ties, and ballast)

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